



AB Sawyer Park Master Plan

August 21, 2012 Neighborhood Meeting





Meeting Agenda

- Welcome/Introductions
- Master Planning Process Overview
- Draft Master Plan
- Public Discussion
- Next Steps
- Adjourn





Why Master Plan?

To develop a comprehensive vision for AB Sawyer Park in context with its location, natural resources, and community needs

Master Plan provides a framework for the use and development of the park over time

Planning Context



Linkages



Linkages (continued)



Inventory and Assessment

Understanding of the Environmental Context and Existing Conditions

1. Conduct relevant background data collection from local agencies, past site investigations, deeds, similar relevant projects in the vicinity
2. Conduct site inventories for key environmental indicators such as site geology, soils, plant life, animal species
3. Conduct archival and on-site research for cultural and archaeological resources located in the project area and pertinent to the site
4. Research existing area policies and trends such as zoning, land use, and traffic patterns, population, demographics, and recreational trends



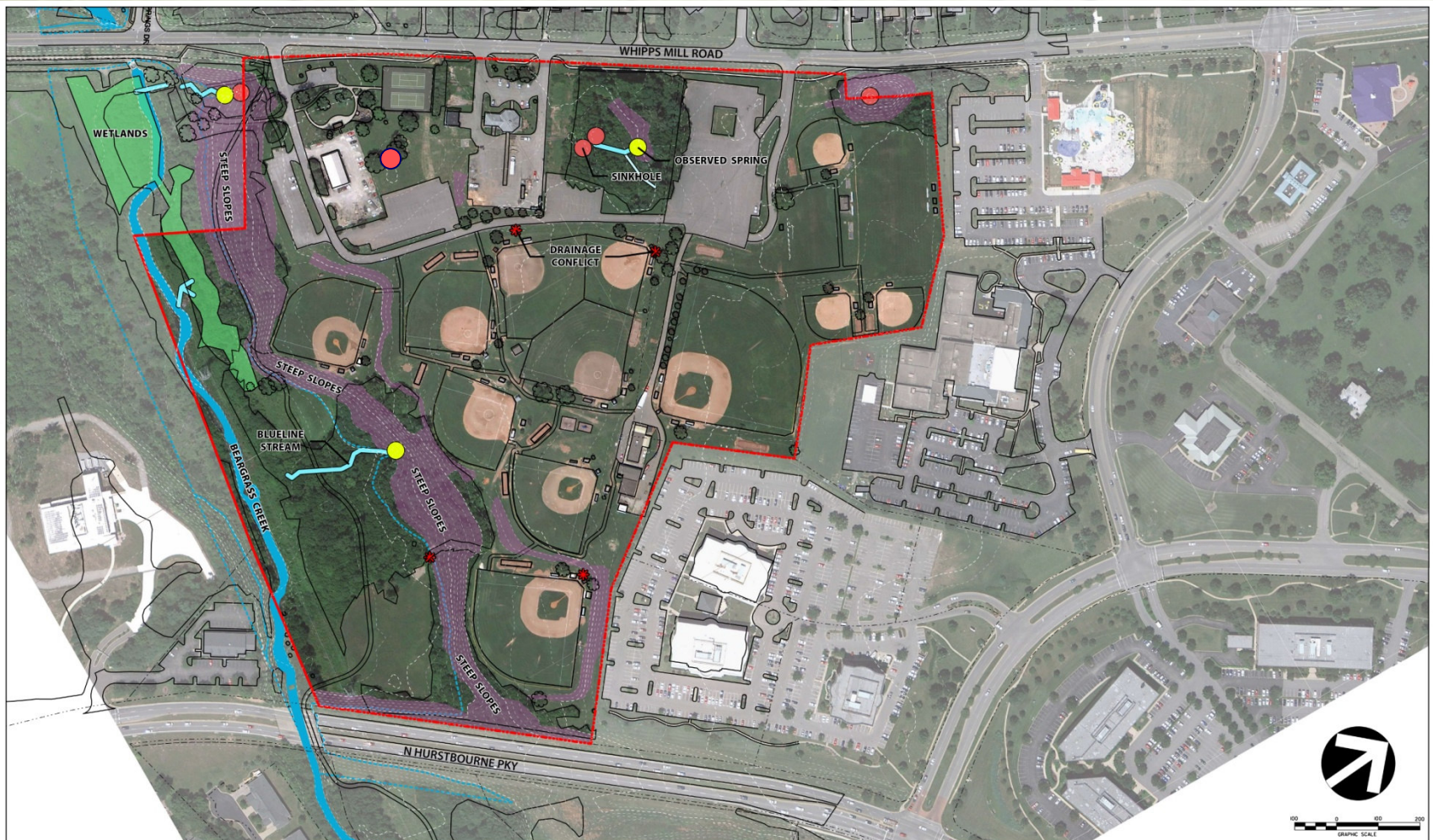
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Natural Features and Landscape



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Man-made, Historic, Cultural



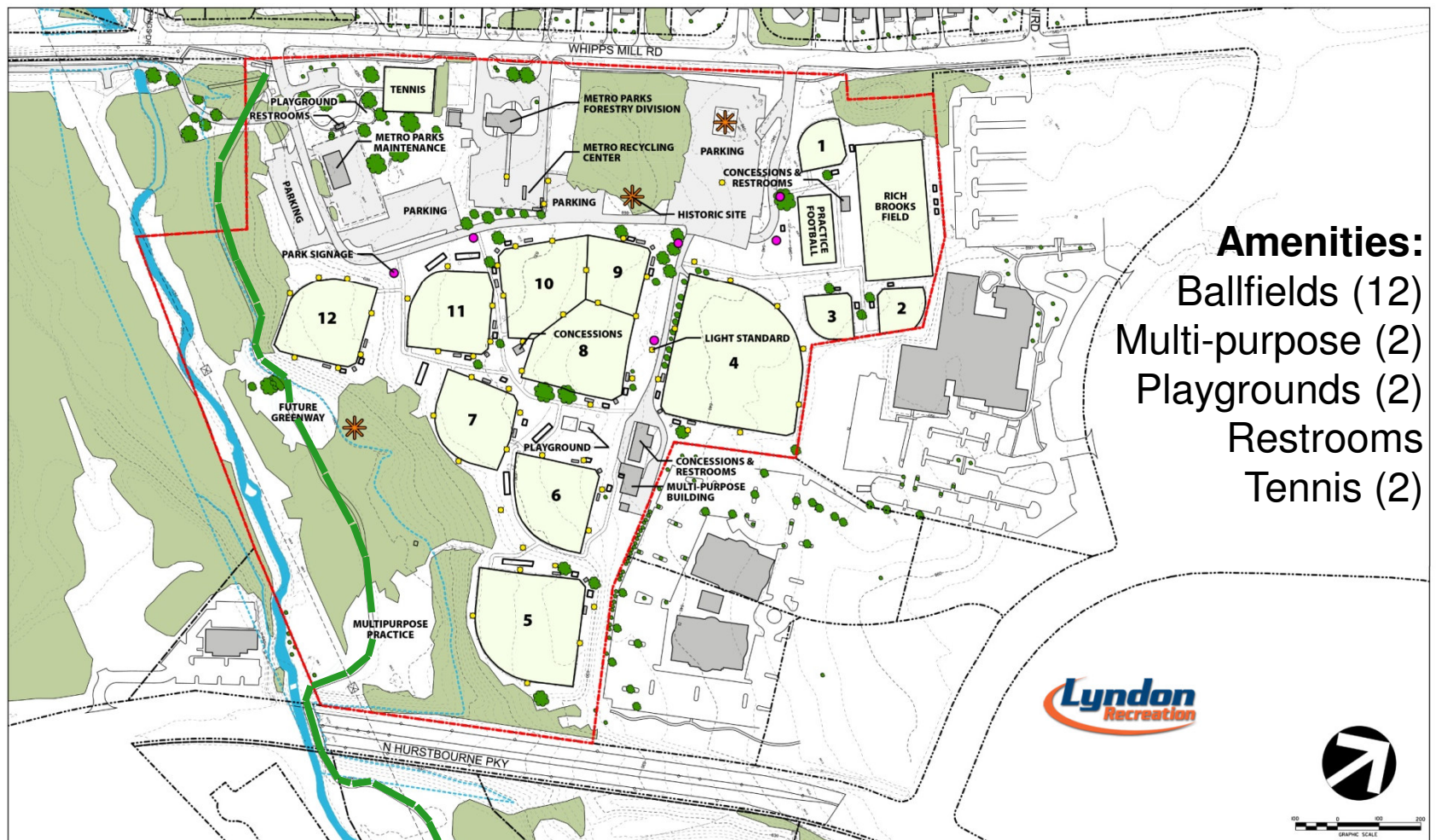
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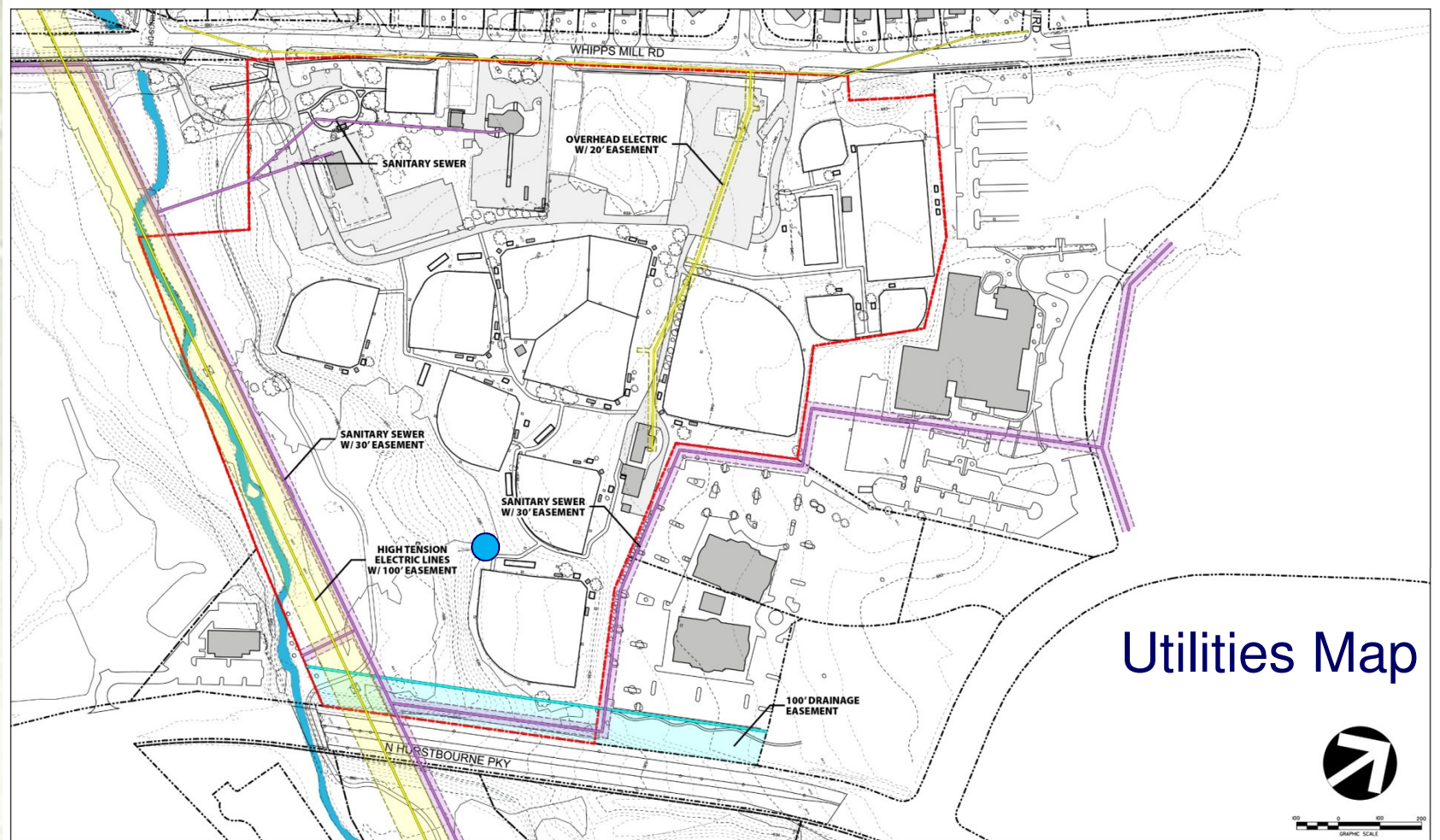
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Utilities Map

Recent Improvements

- Bleachers/Pads
- Playground Equipment
- Walking Paths
- Play Field Renovations





Master Planning Process

- Public Input (User Survey)
- Inventory and Assessment
 - Natural Features and Landscape
 - Man-made, Historic and Cultural
- Public Input (Public Meeting-6/2011)
- Identify Uses/Activities
- Public Input (Stakeholder Interviews)
- Alternatives Development
- Public Input (Public Meeting-1/2012)
- Draft Master Plan
- Final Master Plan



Public Process



Public Process

“More shade”

“...see the park become more family friendly through the inclusion of amenities like shelters and reunion spaces.”

“Need for more restroom facilities”

“...difficult to access some of the park facilities, particularly fields on the SE side of the park. Better wayfinding would help.”

“More walking paths”

“Include opportunities for basketball”

“Celebrate the parks history as a “handmade” park.”

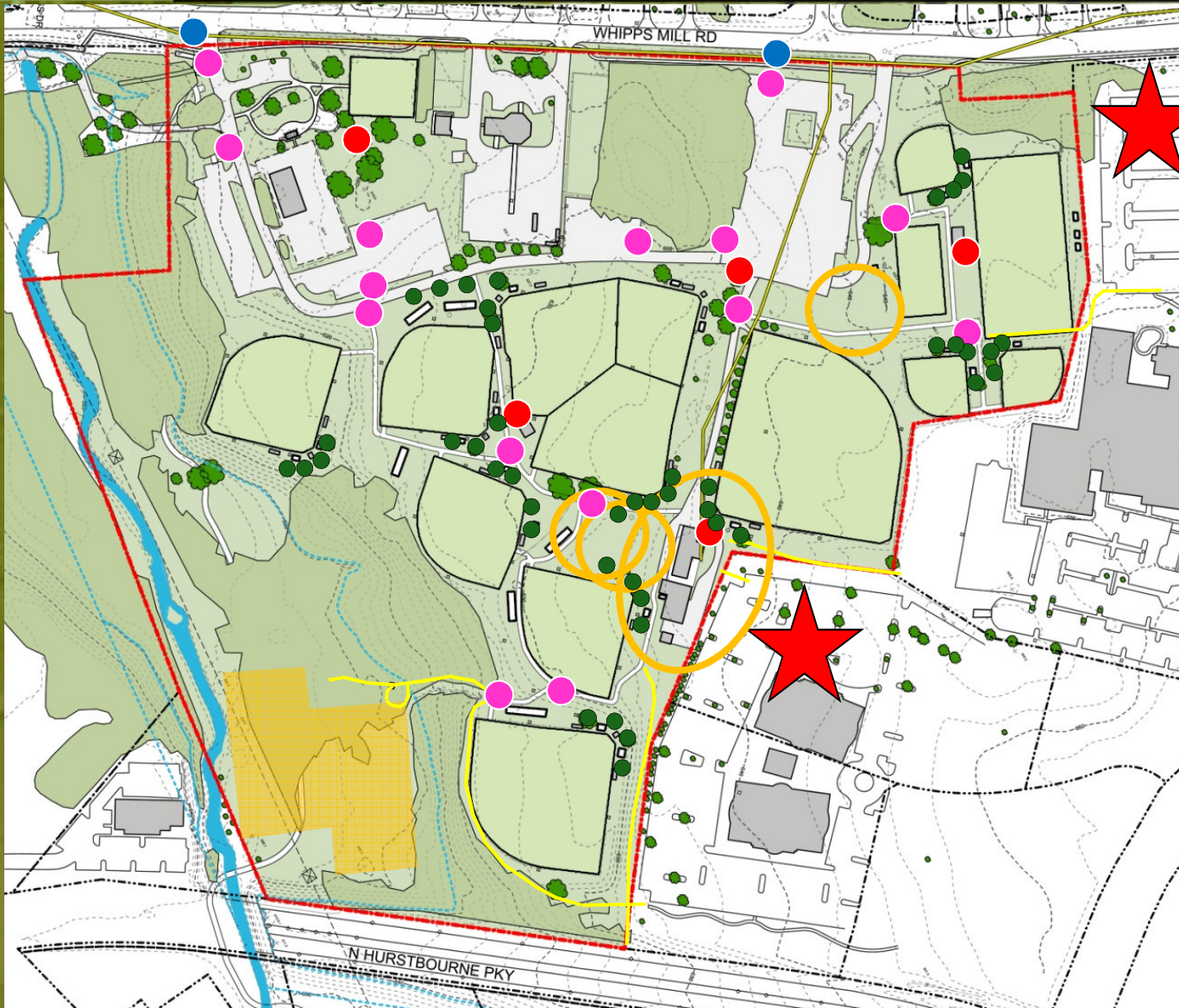
“Provide for more informal recreational opportunities”

“Overcome the parks perception as just for baseball...”

Alternatives

- 3 Alternatives Developed Based on Analysis and Public Input
- Range From Most Intensive Uses/Least Changes to Least Intensive/Most Changes
- Several New Elements Common to all Three Alternatives

Common Elements



- Increase Tree Canopy
- Improve Multi-Purpose Bldg, Restrooms, & Concession
- Practice Fields
- Additional Trails
- Improve Connections
- Added New Pavilion
- Improve Playgrounds
- Formalize Shared Parking Agreements
- Improve signage
 - Identification
 - Informational
 - Directional

Common Elements



- Re-Align Park Entrance and Improve Efficiency of Parking
- Reclaim Park Frontage by Eliminating Paving For Green Space
- Elimination of One Way Traffic Pattern

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Alternative 1



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- Parks Maintenance and Landscape Divisions Remain in Current Locations
- Relocate Recycling Center
- Add Additional Trails
- New Pavilion
- (49 fewer spaces but ~ equal in “useable” spaces)



Alternative 2



Alternative 2



- Additional Trails
- Improve Connections
- Combine Landscape Division & Maintenance in New Facility; Move Recycling Ctr. Off Site
- New Picnic Pavilion Framed on Open Space
- Park Lodge
- Re-Locate Recycling Center Off-Site to Increase Green Space
- Net loss of 36 Parking Spaces (But All Are Functional)

Alternative 3



Alternative 3



- Additional Trails
- Improve Connections
- Landscape and Maintenance Moved Off-Site
- Expanded Open Space
- Tennis Court Moved; New Court Added
- New Pavilion With Redesigned Parking
- Net loss of 29 Parking Spaces (But All Are Functional)

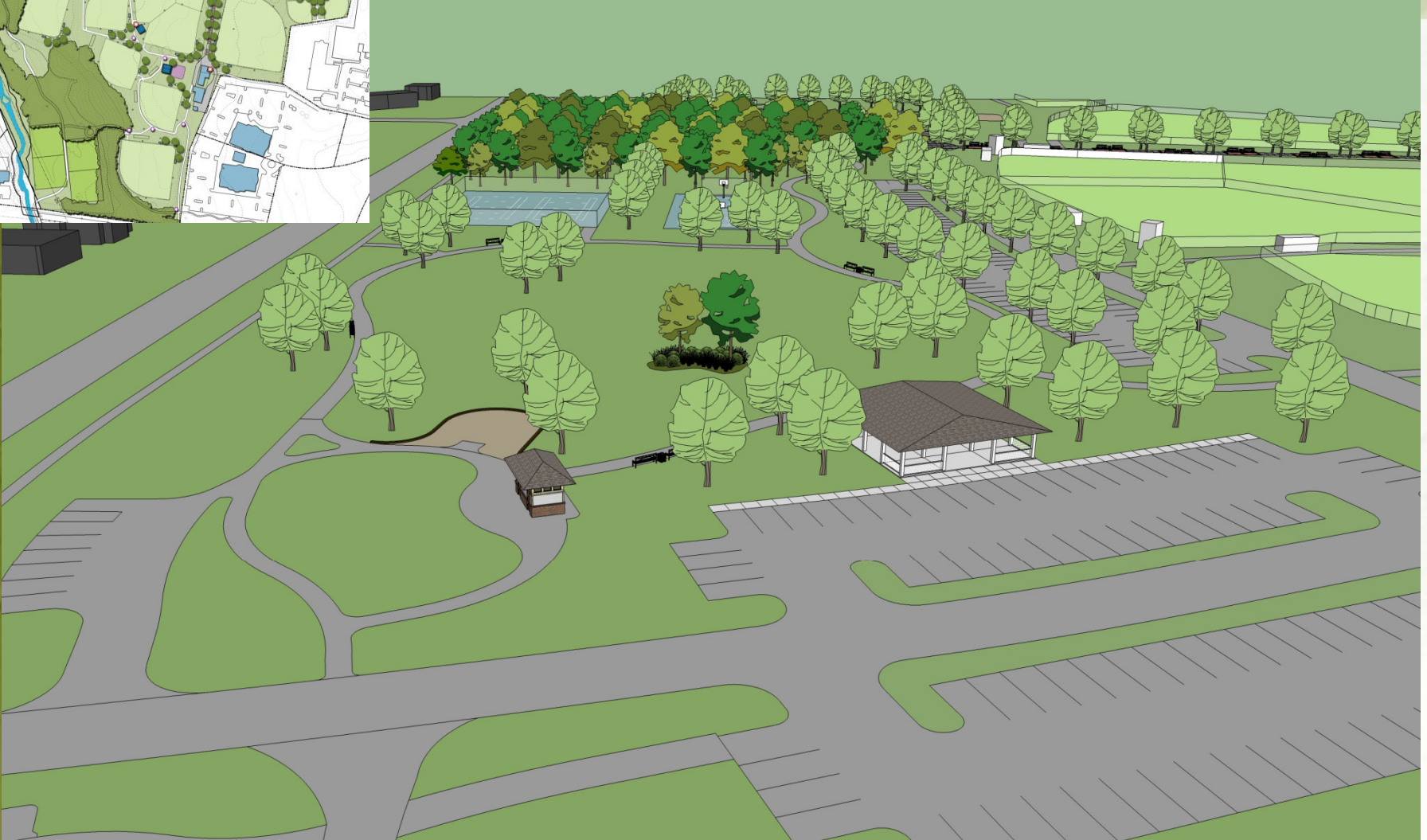
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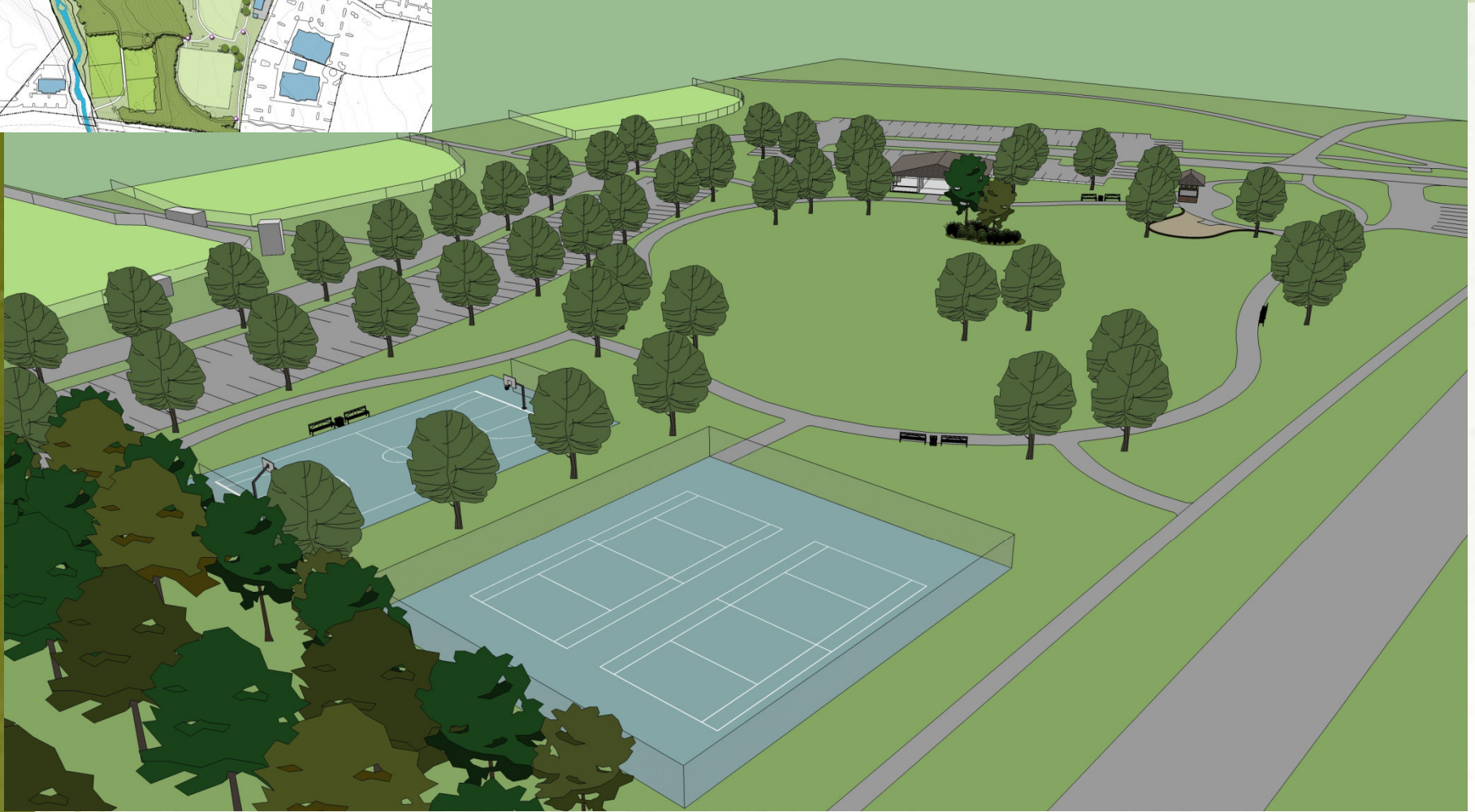
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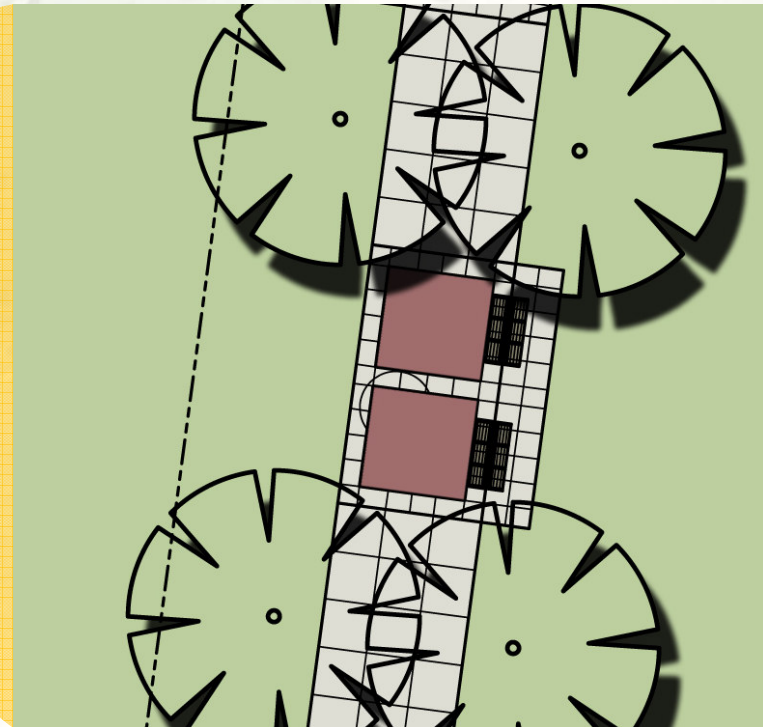
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- Convert drive to an “entrance promenade” to create a sense of arrival from parking to ball field complex
- Provide seating, decorative paving, and commemorative signage





Draft Master Plan



This...



Draft Master Plan



Becomes This...



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This...





Draft Master Plan



Becomes This...

Implementation – Initial Projects



Lower Costs

- Practice Fields
- Parking Agreements
- New Connections
- Shade Trees for Bleachers

Mid-Range Costs

- ADA – Exist. Restrooms
- Small Pavilion
- New paths
- Renovated Playground

Implementation: Major Investments



- New Restroom
- Promenade
- Relocate Maintenance
- Large Pavilion w/Parking
- Relocate Entrance w/Parking
- Relocate Landscape
- Move Courts/New Paths
- Remodel Multi-Purpose

Alternative 3 – Prelim. Cost Opinion

Cost Estimate - A.B. Sawyer Park				
ITEM DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNITS	UNIT COST	EXTENDED COST
Site Paving				
Paving Total:				\$684,000.00
Athletics Facilities				
Athletics Total:				\$160,000.00
Pavillion / Playground Facilities				
Pavillion / Playground Total:				\$165,000.00
Landscape / Site Furnishings				
Site Furnishings Total:				\$194,000.00
Utilities				
Utilities Total:				\$16,000.00
Facility Improvements/Additions				
Facility Total:				\$480,000.00
Subtotal:				\$1,699,000.00
15% Contingency				\$255,000.00
10% Design Fee				\$170,000.00
Total:				\$2,124,000

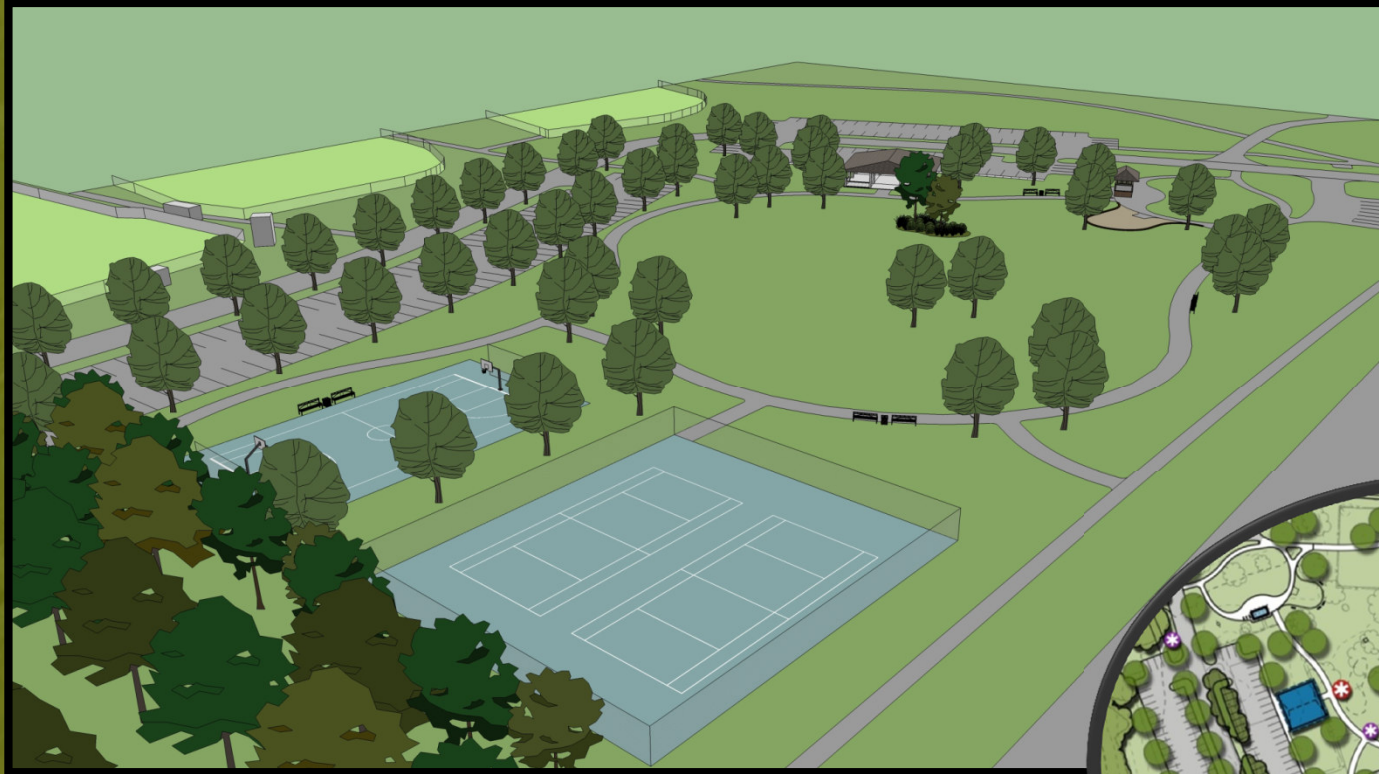
~\$2.2 Million

What's Left?

- Hearing Your Priorities
- Finalize Plan
- Develop Master Plan Report
- Project Updates Website

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Questions/Comments



AB Sawyer Park Master Plan



Thank You!